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# Nicetown Court Housing Sparks Revitalization of Corridor

# Nicetown, Philadelphia, PA

### **Site Description**

Located in a forgotten commercial corridor that had seen no investment for more than 20 years, the City of Philadelphia used EPA assessment funding to identify any contamination. Now Nicetown Court I, an \$11 million low-income housing tax credit project, is one of a series of neighborhood revitalization projects in Philadelphia.

#### **About the Project**

Completed in 2012, Nicetown Community Development

Corporation (NCDC) developed 37 units of affordable rental housing and 3,900 square feet of commercial space. This project also created 6,000 square feet of commercial space near the Wayne Junction train station, which spurred SEPTA redevelopment and investment of \$29 million in rehabilitating Wayne Junction station. The NCDC brought Temple Physicians into an on-site health clinic, which offers affordable health services to both children and adults. Nicetown Court II now compliments the development of Nicetown Court I.



**EPA Grant Recipient: City of Philadelphia** 

The apartments immediately leveraged Nicetown Court II, a \$19

million development directly across the street from the

revitalization of Nicetown's corridor.

Year Awarded: 2006 **Grant Types: Assessment** 

Former Uses: Abandoned Commercial Corridor **Current Uses: Residential and Commercial Use** 

#### **Leveraged Resources**

These developments represent 90 new affordable housing units and nearly \$100 million in economic development of this transit oriented gateway. Nicetown Count II is integral to the comprehensive revitalization strategy of the entire Nicetown community. There were 284 construction workers employed in completion of this project.

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View of Nicetown Court I from Germantown Ave